

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
June 11, 2007

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session at City Hall Council Chambers on June 11, 2007 at 7:30 pm. In compliance with the Indiana Open Door Law, notice of this regular meeting was sent to the press and posted. Copies of the meeting agenda and unapproved minutes of the May 14, 2007 Regular Meeting, May 17, 2007 Executive Session, and May 18, 2007 Executive Session were available at a table adjacent to the entrance to the Council Chambers.

Police Merit Commission President Polles called the meeting to order and presided.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated.

PRESENT: Commissioners Don Corrigan, Larry Leverenz, Virginia Nead, John Polles, and Joel Weber.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Counsel Williams, Deputy Chief Walker, Human Resource Director Foster, and one member of the Police Department. No members of the public or the media were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Commissioner Weber moved "approval of the minutes for the meeting on 14 May 2007." The motion was unanimously adopted.
- B. Commissioner Corrigan moved "to accept the minutes of the Executive Session on 17 May 2007." The motion was unanimously adopted.
- C. Commissioner Corrigan moved "to accept the minutes of the Executive Session on 18 May 2007." The motion was unanimously adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Commission President Polles provided an update of the recent applicant interview cycle and hiring process. He reported that interviews were conducted on May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, with Commissioner Weber updating the Applicant Eligibility List and Commission President Polles checking the updated list for accuracy of data entry. Chief Marvin requested the next 3 names from the Eligibility List which were provided. One of these candidates withdrew from the hiring process to pursue a position with another department. An additional name has been provided. Deputy Chief Walker reported that 2 background investigations are in progress by the Police Department with a third background investigation package recently completed and returned by the applicant. Deputy Chief Walker anticipated that the 2 background investigations currently in progress should be completed within the next two weeks. Commission President Polles informed Commissioners to anticipate a special meeting when the background checks are complete to keep the hiring process moving forward.

- B. Commission President Polles introduced the proposed changes to Article VI of the Rules and Regulations concerning Merit Awards. It was determined that a copy of these proposed changes had not been provided to Commissioners Leverenz and Nead. After discussion, further action on these proposed changes was deferred to the next regular meeting.
- C. Commissioner Weber attended the recently completed Citizen Police Academy and highly recommended it to fellow Commissioners. Commissioner Nead attended the first Citizen Police Academy during the fall of 2006.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Deputy Chief Walker reported that the department will be hosting training for instructors to teach the "RAD" (Rape Aggression Defense) class on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Six West Lafayette Police officers will be attending the training, along with four personnel employed by Purdue University. The department will be scheduling the first "RAD" class for the public after the instructors are certified to teach the class. The department will be hosting a "Basic Spanish for Law Enforcement" class for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Indiana. The Spanish class will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The department will also be hosting forensics evidence for accident reconstruction training.
- B. Commission President Polles led a discussion concerning the July meeting. It was determined that according to the Rules and Regulations, a monthly meeting is required.

#### ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

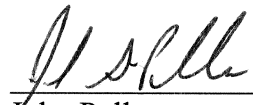
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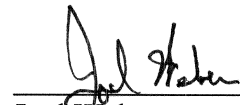
#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

  
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John Polles  
President

  
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Joel Weber  
Secretary

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION  
Meeting Agenda, 11 June 2007  
7:30 P.M., Council Chambers, City Hall

**Opening**

Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call  
Approval of Minutes for Meeting on 14 May 2007  
Approval of Minutes for Executive Session on 17 May 2007  
Approval of Minutes for Executive Session on 18 May 2007

**Old Business**

Update on recent applicant cycle and hiring process (Commissioner Polles)  
Proposed changes to Article VI of WLPMC R&R concerning Merit Awards  
(Commissioner Weber)  
Update on the recent Citizens' Police Academy (Weber)

**New Business**

Briefing on the upcoming police training (Chief Marvin)  
Discussion concerning the July meeting (Polles)

**Items from the Floor**

**Public Comments**

**Adjournment**